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IN THE HIGH COURT OF AUSTRALIA
 SYDNEY OFFICE OF THE REGISTRY

BETWEEN:

TL
 Appellant

and

THE QUEEN
 Respondent

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RESPONDENT'S CHRONOLOGY

Part I: Publication

This chronology is in a form suitable for publication on the internet.

Part II: Principal events

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Date	Event	Reference
October 2011	The victim (TM) is born.	CCA at [10] (CAB at 100)
November 2013	MW begins a relationship with the appellant.	CCA at [10] (CAB at 100)
February 2014	MW and the victim move into a unit in Karuah Avenue, Coffs Harbour ("the unit") with the appellant.	CCA at [10] (CAB at 100)
Late March 2014	TM's aunt observes a bruise to the victim's right forearm. When she asked the victim about it, the victim replies, " <i>TL did it, TL hurt me</i> ".	CCA at [50] (CAB at 111) CCA at [234] (CAB at 166-167)
Some weeks before Easter 2014	In the course of playing ring-a-ring-a-rosy, the victim says to her grandmother LW, " <i>That's it Grandma, you have been naughty. I am going to ring TL and he will punch you in the face like he does to me</i> " and then pretends to punch herself.	CCA at [52] (CAB at 112) CCA at [233] (CAB at 166)

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10 April 2014	While in the care of the appellant, the victim suffers first degree burns to her buttocks and feet and a third degree (or full thickness) burn to the outer aspect of her right foot. (MW photographs the burns and sends the photographs to the appellant (Trial Exhibit G).)	CCA at [12]-[13] (CAB 100-101) RFM at 16-18
	MW sends a text message to the appellant which reads, “ <i>TM just came in telling me you hurt her neck again [sad face]</i> ”.	CCA at [13] (CAB at 101) CCA at [232] (CAB 166)
20 April 2014 (Easter Sunday)		
Approx. 5pm	The appellant, MW, DM and the victim return to the unit.	CCA at [17] (CAB at 103)
Shortly after 5pm	MW takes the victim to visit her mother LW.	CCA at [17] (CAB at 103) CCA at [53] (CAB at 112)
Approx. 6pm	MW and the victim return to the unit. The appellant and DM are also present.	CCA at [17] (CAB at 103) Appellant’s evidence at trial (RFM at 225-226)
Sometime after 6pm	The victim eats dinner at the table.	CCA at [17]-[18] (CAB at 103) CCA at [37] (CAB at 108) Appellant’s evidence at trial (RFM at 226-227)
Sometime after 6pm and before 7.33pm	The victim is put to bed in her bedroom.	CCA at [18] (CAB at 103) CCA at [36] (CAB at 108) CCA at [115] (CAB at 130) Appellant’s first interview (RFM at 108-111) Appellant’s second interview (RFM at 157-159; 169; 171; 174) Appellant’s evidence at trial (RFM at 227-228; 252-253)

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Sometime after 6pm and before 7.33pm (after the victim is put to bed)	MW and the appellant go to the outside back patio area of the unit to discuss dinner. DM is in the lounge room watching TV. The victim is in her bedroom.	CCA at [19]-[20] (CAB at 103) Appellant's first interview (RFM at 111) Appellant's second interview (RFM at 159) Appellant's evidence at trial (RFM at 228-229; 254-255)
Between approx. 7.33pm and 7.49pm	MW and DM leave the unit to buy dinner. The victim is alone with the appellant in the unit.	CCA at [21] (CAB at 104) CCA at [85] (CAB at 122-123) CCA at [141] (CAB at 136)
Approx. 7.49pm	MW and DM arrive back at the unit where they see the appellant coming out of the victim's bedroom.	CCA at [21] (CAB at 104) CCA at [142] (CAB at 136)
8.25pm	The victim arrives at Coffs Harbour Hospital. She is unconscious and her presentation is consistent with hypovolaemic blood loss.	CCA at [60] (CAB at 114) CCA at [89] (CAB at 124)
21 April 2014 2.15am	The victim is pronounced dead.	CCA at [94] (CAB at 125)
21 April 2014	The appellant participates in an interview with police ("Appellant's first interview").	CCA at [114]-[118] (CAB at 130-131) (RFM at 91-135)
1 May 2014	The appellant participates in a further interview with police ("Appellant's second interview").	CCA at [119]-[122] (CAB 131-132) (RFM at 136-205)
6 September 2014	The appellant speaks to his mother. Describing what he said in a conversation with another person, the appellant says: "I said, 'Mate, I know within my heart DM wouldn't do this. I know he wouldn't have done it.' I said, 'When would he have had time to?'" When asked if DM was ever alone with the	(RFM at 19)

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	victim, the appellant says: “No, no. Me and – the only one left alone was me. They went to KFC”.	
14 September 2014	While speaking to his sister (AL), the appellant agrees that DM was not left alone with the victim.	(RFM at 20)
25 October 2014	The appellant speaks to his sister (AL). Describing what he said in a conversation with another person, the appellant says: “I said, ‘Mate, I know he fucking wouldn’t do it’. He says, ‘How do you know?’ I said, ‘I raised this kid from when he was fucking young. I know what he is capable of’”.	(RFM at 20)

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